

27609 and 27610. ROLLINIA spp.

From Horqueta, Paraguay, South America. Presented by Mr. T. R. Gwynn.
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Seeds of the following; notes by Mr. Gwynn:

27609. ROLLINIA ORTHOPETALA A. DC.

"*Aratecuý Yvirá mató*. A good-sized tree, as large as the orange; is handsome and has splendid foliage. The fruits are small."

Distribution.—Paraguay and the adjacent parts of Brazil and Argentina.

27610. ROLLINIA EMARGINATA Schlecht.

"*Aratacu-quatu*. This is a small bush growing here in the open camp in almost any soil. The fruit is large and the best class of all according to my thinking."

See No. 25528 for previous introduction.

27611 to 27650.

From Erivan, Caucasus, Russia, close to the frontiers of Persia and of Asia Minor.

Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, who obtained them from the Government Experimental Fruit Garden at Erivan, March 28, 1910. Received April 14 and 30, 1910.

"Erivan is situated at an elevation of 3,229 feet above sea level. The climate is decidedly semiarid with even a slight degree of aridness. The winters are cold with very little snow, the summers hot and dry; there are heavy rains at intervals in the spring and fall. The climate as a whole seems to resemble very much that of the southern Rocky Mountain region. All the crops are irrigated in summer."

Cuttings of the following:

27611. ELAEAGNUS ANGUSTIFOLIA L.

"(No. 711.) A local variety called '*Matna-pshat*.' See note on No. 709 (S. P. I. No. 27775), which is the same. The dried fruits of these 'Russian olives' (as they are called here) are to be found in the native fruit stalls nearly the year round. The trees are mostly seen planted around the fields as wind-breaks, the distance between the trees varying from 5 to 15 feet." (*Meyer*.)

27612. ELAEAGNUS ANGUSTIFOLIA L.

"(No. 712.) A local variety called '*Unab-pshat*.' Fruits somewhat smaller than the *Matna-pshat* (S. P. I. No. 27611), skin thicker; not as tender and sweet nor as prolific, but ripens a fortnight earlier and is a better keeper and shipper." (*Meyer*.)

27613. AMYGDALUS PERSICA L.

Peach.

"(No. 713.) A native Caucasian variety of peach called '*Salami*,' meaning 'congratulatory.' Fruits large, round, and a little flattened; general color greenish yellow with deep-red cheek; clingstone; large seed; flesh pale yellow with reddish streaks near the stone, juicy and of sweet taste. Ripens the beginning of October." (*Meyer*.)

27614. AMYGDALUS PERSICA L.

Peach.

"(No. 714.) A native Caucasian variety of peach called '*Saffrani*,' meaning saffron. The fruits are of medium size; general color saffron yellow, cheek streaked with deep red. The skin has a saffron-like scent. Clingstone. Flesh yellow, juicy, aromatic, and sweet. Ripens in September." (*Meyer*.)

27615. AMYGDALUS PERSICA L.

Peach.

"(No. 715.) A local variety of peach called '*Naryndji*,' meaning golden. Fruits large, almost perfectly round; general color golden yellow, blood red on